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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification

At page 1, below the title, please insert:

A1 --Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to PCT/GB97/02726, filed October 6, 1997,
which corresponds to GB 9620709.07 filed October 4, 1996.--

At page 22, line 1, please delete "Claims" and insert --I claim:-- in place thereof.

In the Claims

A2 1. (Amended) A controlled release composition [including] comprising pellets,
wherein each pellet [comprising] ~~comprises~~ an inner core[, which core comprises, or is
coated with,] comprising a drug[, which drug] which possesses